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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

25 February 1964

UTILITY, @Holm [ ] and [ ] [ ] request)  
UTILITY's office - 40 minutes

1. I had asked for this meeting to pass UTILITY info on Nosenko. When I later learned that [ ] was in town, I notified @Jurgens that he would accompany me. On arrival UTILITY immediately assumed we were there to discuss "Article 10" - the CALLIKAK Law. [ ] replied that he really had no business and had just tagged along.

2. CALLIKAK: UTILITY said that he probably should tell us about developments in Bonn the previous week. (Some of the info is contained in MUNT-9017 although some of that originated in newspapers and not with UTILITY.) UTILITY said that he finally had briefed the "Kleine Fraktion" on CATIDE use of some of the CALLIKAK and they were very impressed. He ridiculed Hoecherl's plans to hold a press conference. He felt it very important that we all work together on the proposed law but he agreed with [ ] that any appearance of collusion must be avoided. He was delighted with the American position that the law would not be sufficient and assumed we were behind it. [ ] confirmed that he was, that the Ambassador had not agreed but [ ] had won out. UTILITY agreed with [ ] that British and French as well as our State Department would favor a much more restrictive law than would the intelligence agencies. [ ] sees developments something like this: (1) Germans pass Allies draft law; (2) Americans consider it in Germany among themselves; (3) Matter referred back to USIB. Latter sends out U.S. position which then made known to Germans.

[ ] said that he would remain in close touch with Georgau when he got back to Washington. He also asked for a copy of the CATIDE Stellungnahme on the draft law so that we would know what position to support.

EXTRACT: CALLIKAK  
C/MLB

3. Nosenko: UTILITY thought that perhaps congratulations were in order on the recent defection. I said that was the real subject of my visit since I had a sealed envelope for him on Nosenko and that I had not seen the contents. He opened it and read the memorandum; then said merely that he was to keep it to himself. (Based on COS ISM of 18 February.)

4. Soviet NIE: I told UTILITY that I had passed a memorandum and [ ] material to Holm and I explained that the memorandum had been passed to State Secretary Hopf last Friday in the absence of von Hassel. Holm again asked if I had not said that the [ ] material was being given only to CATIDE. I confirmed this but repeated my previous statements that it could be given to MOD personnel by CATIDE. UTILITY interrupted to say he did not think that they would give these reports to MOD because he could not control their dissemination then.

I also raised the question of [ ] recent visit to Bonn. UTILITY merely said it had gone well.

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I then reminded UTILITY of the discussion with [ ] about follow-up discussions on Soviet military capabilities. [ ] assumed that we had known that things had gotten off the track when MOD people said they were ready for more discussions; Degenhardt heard about it and called [ ] (This was all news to me.) [ ] got things straightened out. (See BGMA on subject Degenhardt visit and General Ferber involvement.) In commenting on the desirability of Ferber accompanying Degenhardt, UTILITY spoke in terms of CATIDE inviting him. He asked Holm to look into the matter.

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5. [ ] I said [ ] would like to meet with UTILITY and suggested afternoon of 3 March or morning of 4th. UTILITY suggested 1930 on the 3rd. I regretted that this was not possible since [ ] was attending an Herrenabend at that time. UTILITY and Holm then went over a typed schedule for the 3rd. Holm said that UTILITY did not have to participate in the whole thing. UTILITY then suggested 1500 for his meet with [ ]

6. Holm: I asked Holm if he could lunch with [ ] He regretted not because he goes off on two weeks leave starting next Sunday.

7. NSA: I mentioned that Kirby of NSA would be visiting about 18 March but that UTILITY need not see him and arrangements would be made via Heuken by [ ]

EXTRACT: [ ]

8. Boun: UTILITY in discussing CALLIKAK legislation expressed bewilderment about the Chancellor's position on all these matters. [ ] used this opening to mention the lack of Chancellory interest in intelligence matters and how he has not been able to talk to Westrick about them. UTILITY noted that Westrick is an old man and just not capable of handling so much.

9. [ ] was also discussed.

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